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James J. Halsema of Washington, D. C., and Glen Moore has been appointed Information Officer for the American Embassy in Egypt and Syria. He will be in charge of public affairs for the American Consulate at offices located in Cairo, Egypt.

He, his wife, the former Alice Cleveland of Devon, and their six children have departed for their new assignment and are looking forward to locating in their new home, exploring the Nile River and making new acquaintances.

Halsema, former Manila newspaperman and later correspondent for The Associated Press in Southeast Asia, joined the overseas information program in 1949 and served as an information officer in Singapore, Manila and Bangkok. He attended the National War College, has been the U.S. Information Agency's deputy assistant director for Far East affairs, then Deputy Planning Director since 1959, director of planning.

Born in 1919 in Warren, Ohio, Halsema spent most of his first 17 years in the Philippines where his father was an engineer and public official for the Philippine Government for 30 years until he

was killed in an air raid in 1944.

Halsema served as chief of the Baguio Bureau of the Manila Bulletin from 1940 until he was interned by the Japanese on December 27, 1941. During his three years of interment, he published both an open and underground daily news sheet. Immediately upon liberation, he joined the Associated Press as correspondent, first in the Philippines and later in Indonesia. Returning to the United States in 1948, he got an M. A. degree at the School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, D. C. He has received his B. A. from Duke University in 1940, and took his pre-college training at a prep school in the mountains of Luzon where his father was stationed.

In 1952 he was working in various offices at the CIA's Washington headquarters studying the output and handling of field requests. The International Press Service is engaged in telling the story of America and the free world through newspapers, magazines, pamphlets, leaflets, picture stories and displays to audiences in more than 80 countries of the world. While he was near the Burma - Thailand border he distributed copies of "Free World,"

a magazine published by the U. S. Information Agency for the use in the Far East. It was published in 10 languages and reached an estimated five million readers.

While in Washington, Halsema and his family spent many weekends on their farm in Wallace twp., near Glen Moore.